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FM AMEMBASSY RANGOON

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 9267

INFO AMEMBASSY MANILA

C O N F I D E N T I A L RANGOON 0626

MANILA FOR USADB

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EFIN

SUBJ: PHYGYI RESERVOIR PROJECT

REF: (A) MANILA 2605; (B) STATE 45303; (C) RANGOON 0355

1. PHYGYI COMMITTEE HAS COMPLETED SCREENING CONSULTANT PROPOSALS FOR SUBJECT PROJECT, AND ALL PROPOSALS SENT TO GUB HOME MINISTRY FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION. COMMITTEE RANKED FIVE PROPOSALS IN ORDER OF PREFERENCE WITH U.S. FIRM, MALCOLM PIRNIE INC., AS FIRST CHOICE. EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS ADB ALSO INFORMED OF THIS ACTION.

2. HENCE, SINC SELECTION PROCESS NOW OUT OF COMMITTEE HANDS WITH U.S. FIRM RECOMMENDED FOR PROJECT, EMBASSY WILLING TO TAKE "ALL'S WELL THAT ENDS WELL" ATTITUDE FOR PRESENT AND SUPPORT USADB RECOMMENDATION THAT NO FURTHER ACTION BE TAKEN. FURTHER INVESTIGATION, WHILE IT MAY PREVENT RECURRENCE OF SUCH ATTEMPTS IN THIS PARTICULAR PROJECT, WOULD NOT BE LIKELY TO PRECLUDE SUCH PRACTICES FROM CROPPING UP AGAIN IN CONNECTION WITH OTHER PROJECTS. TAKING ACTION IN THIS CASE WOULD QUITE LIKELY PREVENT EMBASSY FROM HEARING OF SUCH PRACTICES IN FUTURE AND THUS WE WOULD BE UNABLE TO TAKE ANY CORRECTIVE ACTION OR OFFER ADVICE TO BENEFIT U.S. BUSINESS INTERESTS IN SUCH CASES. SECONDLY, AND MOST IMPORTANT, EMBASSY LOCAL EMPLOYEE MUST LIVE IN THIS COUNTRY AND GET ALONG AS BEST HE CAN WITH SYSTEM AND WITH GUB OFFICIALS (A TASK MADE NO EASIER BY FACT HE WORKS FOR EMBASSY). SHOULD HE BE PLACED IN POSITION  
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OF MAKING ACCUSATIONS OF CORRUPTION AGAINST GUB OFFICIALS, HE

COULD BE PLACED IN VERY UNCOMFORTABLE POSITION. FURTHERMORE,  
IT COULD DEPRIVE HIM OF MANY CONTACTS AND REDUCE HIS EFFECTIVENESS  
AND VALUE AS AN EMBASED EMPLOYEE.

3. DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO INFORM MALCOLM PIRNIE INC. OF SUBSTANCE  
OF PARA 1.  
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